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For: DISTANCE EXTENDER AND METHOD MAKING USE OF SAME

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Examiner Kaplan:

This response addresses the Final Office Action, mailed September 21, 2006, relating to the above-identified patent application. Please reconsider the patent application in view of the amended claims, and the remarks presented hereinafter, which are submitted as a full and complete response to the aforementioned Final Office Action.

Claims 1-36 remain in the subject patent application. Claims 13-36 are allowed. Applicant amends claims 1-4 and 9-12. Applicant's amendment complies with 37 C.F.R. §1.116, and thus, the USPTO should enter this amendment.